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| Serial No. 09/834,085 | Filing Date April 12, 2001 | Examiner William J. Klimowicz | Group Art Unit 2652 |
| Inventor(s) Yoshihiro Nishiyama et al. | | | |
| Title of Invention THIN FILM MAGNETIC HEAD COMPRISING SION FILM AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREFOR | | | |

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Amendment and Response to Office Action (12 pages) and return receipt postcard.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☐ Petition for a _____ month extension of time.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.
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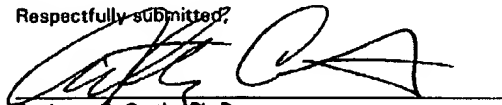
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| Small Entity | |
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| Rate | Add'l Fee |
| x \$9 = | |
| x 43 = | |
| + \$145 = | |
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| Other Than Small Entity | |
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| x \$18 = | |
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Respectfully submitted,



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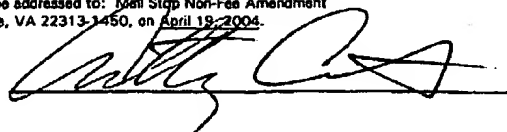
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